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**AMENDMENT**

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In response to the Office Action mailed on August 4, 2010 (the three-month response date for which is November 4, 2010), reconsideration of the above-referenced application is respectfully requested in view of the following.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.